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Morning Briefing

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Families of Slain Israeli and Palestinian Teens Turn to Each Other for Comfort [1]

Palestinian rockets reach further into Israel [2] and **Israel expands Gaza strikes, warns offensive will be long-term** [3]. Photo slide show: **Israelis, Palestinians clash** [4]

100 Faith Leaders To Obama: **Religious Liberty Shouldn?t Be Used To Discriminate Against LGBT People** [5]

Research shows: **Children of same-sex couples are happier and healthier than peers** [6]

Louisiana court challenges confessional secrecy [7]

Rejecting the war paradigm [8] -- Global Sisters Report staff writer Dawn Cherie Araujo reflects on an email exchange she has had with Iraqi Dominican sisters who were forced to leave Mosul.

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Global Sisters Report [9], devoted to covering the mission and ministry of Catholic women religious. It offers news, commentary and reflections on spirituality and theology.

Commentary: **The ?Greening? of Christianity Is Not Actually Happening** [10] -- Despite two decades of preaching, self-identified Christians are hardly acting as stewards of Earth.

NCR Book Club: **Translations enlighten history of ordaining women to diaconate** [11]

Hong Kong's last British governor, Chris Patten, **to advise Pope Francis on Holy See's media strategy** [12]

The new president of the Dominican Bishops Conference says **Catholics must denounce priests who abuse minors** [13]

South Sudan's unhappy birthday [14]

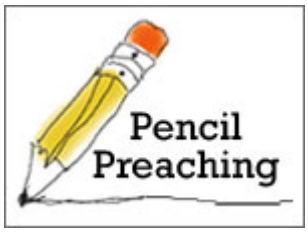
Catholics divided on meaning of pope?s meeting with victims [15]

Cathedral in Central African Republic Besieged by Rebels [16], an area where more than 12,000 people are displaced.

Seychelles? Catholic bishop: **Vatican synod will help us to be more open concerning family life and the role of the church** [17] -- OK, not a dramatic headline, but this is a most interesting glimpse into family life and church life in this archipelago nation in the Indian Ocean.

BBC Finally Dumps ?False Balance? in Climate Change Reporting [18]

My yellow summer squash and zucchini are starting to come in strong, and I'm beginning to wonder what to do with them. We had roast squash lasagna last night for supper. Here's another great recipe: **Quick and Easy Zucchini Fritters** [19]



[20]Looking for a little inspiration to begin your day? *NCR*'s sister publication, *Celebration*, gives you two options, both based on the Scripture readings of the day:

Daily Bread [21] is a series of short reflections written by four authors who meet regularly to share the readings. Daily Bread is intended to help daily preachers and others who pray from the assigned Scriptures each day to orient themselves to the Living Word addressed to the church in the world. It's a great way to begin the day.

Pencil Preaching [20] is a blog in which *Celebration* editor Pat Marrin combines Scripture and sketching to reflect on the Word.

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